# GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
# INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING
# LOK SABHA

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CLOSURE OF DIRECTORATE OF FILM FESTIVALS
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**Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state:**

(a) Whether the Government proposes to close down the Directorate of Film Festivals;

(b) if so, the reasons therefor along with its annual expenditure; and

(c) strategy adopted/proposed to be adopted by the Government to organise Film Festivals once the Directorate is closed down?

## Answer

THE MINISTER OF INFORMATION & BROADCASTING AND PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS (SHRI P. R. DASMUNSI)

(a) : No sir. However, the Expenditure Reforms Commission in its 2nd Report has inter alia recommended closure of the Directorate of Film Festivals with a further recommendation that organisation and participation in Film Festivals be left to the industry. A final decision on this recommendation of the Expenditure Reforms Commission is expected soon.

(b) & (c) : Does not arise.